TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 360 - SB 1271

June 9, 2009

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (009753): Limits to 18 years of age or older, but under the age of 21, the authorization for individuals who have had their driver's license revoked due to underage driving while impaired to apply for a restricted driver's license.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Revenue - \$14,800 Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Increase State Revenue - \$11,100 Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Increase Local Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- The Department of Safety (DOS) indicates that 454 driver's licenses were suspended in FY07-08 as the result of underage driving while impaired.
- This number (454) assumes all individuals for whom driver's licenses were suspended were at least 16 years of age but under age 21.
- The number of suspensions due to underage driving while impaired remains constant in subsequent years.
- The number of driver's licenses suspended for individuals at least 18 years of age but under age 21 is estimated to be 75 percent (340) of all suspensions occurring as the result of underage driving while impaired.
- DOS projects that 50 percent (170) will request restricted licenses.
- The fee for a restricted license is \$65.

- The increase to state revenue derived from restricted license fees is estimated to be \$11,100 per year $(170 \times $65 = $11,050)$.
- DOS indicates that no additional resources will be required for the Department to meet the provisions of this bill.
- Based on information provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts, any increase in state or local government expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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